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# Interview Summary

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Applicant(s)  
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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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Date of Interview Aug 30, 2000

Type: ☒ Telephonic ☐ Personal (copy is given to ☐ applicant ☐ applicant's representative).

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: ☐ Yes ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Agreement ☒ was reached. ☐ was not reached.

Claim(s) discussed: \_\_\_\_\_

Identification of prior art discussed:

None

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

With regard to the 35 U.S.C. 103 of record, an office action will be sent out which contains additional references that support the examiner's assertion that the use of the buffers and detergents of the invention are of routine use for one of ordinary skill in their art; moreover the action will address additional 112(2) issues and clarify the 112(2) rejection of record regarding the charge of the polymer. The 35 U.S.C. 102(b) rejection of record will be withdrawn.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

1. ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

Unless the paragraph above has been checked to indicate to the contrary, A FORMAL WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION IS NOT WAIVED AND MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a response to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW.

2. ☐ Since the Examiner's interview summary above (including any attachments) reflects a complete response to each of the objections, rejections and requirements that may be present in the last Office action, and since the claims are now allowable, this completed form is considered to fulfill the response requirements of the last Office action. Applicant is not relieved from providing a separate record of the interview unless box 1 above is also checked.

**JAMES O. WILSON**  
**PRIMARY EXAMINER**

Examiner Note: You must sign and stamp this form unless it is an attachment to a signed Office action.